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CCI Meeting Minutes 1 March 2022 Zoom Community Auditorium

Minutes are unofficial until approved by the CCI. Minutes were approved as amended.

1. Called to Order The meeting was called to order at 5:33PM

Present: Lucie Carriker, , David Anderson, Lowell Greathouse, Tom Cook Evelyn Orr,

Councilor Malynda Wenzl, Heather Finnigan, Elizabeth Stover (staff),

Absent: Hope Kramer

Fernando Lira submitted his resignation from CCI.

The minutes from the February meeting were unanimously approved as motioned for by David Anderson and seconded by Heather Finnigan

- 2. Community Communication Inbox: None
- 3. CCI Discussion

A. Annual Town Meeting Debrief

Hope Kramer submitted her input via e-mail:

If this meeting is supposed to be about getting community feedback or input on proposed goals for the next year, there needs to be more time between the retreat and this meeting and the vote to approve.

Perhaps there could be a google forms survey that could be shared about the goals.

There needs to be a way for the audience at the auditorium to participate in the surveys or polls.

The topics discussed need to be an actual goal. Explain it, say what has happened, and what are the proposed next steps. This is what the city is looking for input on is if this proposed item is hitting the mark.

There also needs to be space for the community to offer their suggestions on goals for the city to consider.

Maybe this meeting should happen before the council retreat.

Better alignment between the speakers and the goals is needed.

More time for questions and input is needed.

Topics for the town hall are better attended if there is an issue or controversy.

This meeting was just the city telling citizens what they are working on. There did not seem to be any intention of getting input from the community that could change how or what the City was doing.

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These are the unanswered questions from the meeting:

- Can some of that \$100k go to paying for porta potties at B St. camp?
- What action is expected to assist those individuals who refuse/decline the offer of housing?
- Does HB2001 apply to EFU
- I'm curious what got the city to developing a DEI department? Was it based on citizen feedback or more a recognition on the part of leaders? Can you share more on how this was communicated and the movement initiated?
- How are you chatting with the people who continue to come to get their weekly emergency food boxes locally? Those are people who are experiencing very low income.
- I don't see sidewalks or bike lanes or parking. Will share roads be put in
- When the city people clean the parks and have to pick up needles are they being furnished proper PPE and hazmat training? Since it is such a hazard to them are they compensated for such risk. If not will the city hire an outside contractor to perform this task?
- Has the city considered building a Recreation Center?
- "What's Growing on in the Grove" newsletter is a great idea to keep the community informed and give us the chance to be active members of the community. Looking forward to receiving it
- Are you aware that a totally volunteer group put together a "clean up B street trail" event this morning? Saw it on Next Door. Tough competition for an ATM due to the gorgeous weather today!
- What resources is the city committing to support houseless folks? Paying for port a potties?

These are questions posed about accessibility and other meeting specific issues:

- Who is the best person to contact about improving the town hall accessibility? CCI or City Staff
- who decides how to orient in person participants about how they are allowed to interact at the meeting and whether we are allowed to use the computer or not and who is allowed to use the computer
- I'm late to this meeting. Why isn't this meeting posted on the regular city calendar?
- Who do we talk to, to address barriers to participation in the Annual Town Hall? For example, who can address the issue that people who come in person cannot interact during this hybrid meeting? Is this the job of the City or the job of Citizen Involvement, or who?
- Thank you for hosting this town hall. As a new resident here, i's really great to hear from city leaders. I wonder if in the future, position titles or roles could be included with names to help with getting familiar with leadership?
- Please include captions in your Zoom meetings next time so that it will be Inclusive for those who are deaf or hard of hearing like me. Perhaps the recording will have them.

David Anderson submitted his input via e-mail:

- 1) Music during walk-in period would be nice
- 2) Definitely need to re-think how we handle live audience in the auditorium. They felt shut out.
- 3) I'm learning that maybe I was supposed to download poll results while they were being displayed? Supposedly there is a way to get these after the fact, but I don't have necessary privileges in my account.
- 4) We used TLA's without defining them sometimes. (e.g. DEI, ADU, ATM, etc.)
- 5) I really liked having a tag team with moderators

- 6) Is our Q&A process working well for the moderators and panelists?
- 7) Need to have Jessie not wiggle his desk while speaking as it makes the camera shake
- 8) Peak attendance was just under 40 certainly not our best even though I think we did our best job ever in publicity.

Other input:

Evelyn presenters could have used more specific slides. Polling questions need to be shortened and less verbiage.

CCI could conduct a survey prior to City Council Retreat to provide input to the council.

Poll questions were not completely visible.

Lowell: If the data from the polls are not saved, we can do screenshots. Could be more city council presence in the ATM. Could there be a way to "target" a specific "e-mail group" list for publicity.

B. Plan the Quarterly Town Meeting -

- Theme: Parks and Recreation. Plans for summer.
- Date and time: Wednesday, May 4, 6:30-7:30 p.m.

C. City Goals and Objectives

Evelyn discussed how CCI should be involved in the process and reviewing the "task list" for CCI. The focus of thought should be "How does the city council want the community to be involved in developing Goals and Objectives?"

4. Election of CCI Officers

The following members were elected to these positions:

Chairperson: Evelyn OrrVice Chair: Hope KramerSecretary: Tom Cook

5. CCI Communication Plan Subcommittee Update

Evelyn update CCI:

- There is now a budget planned to update the website.
- A workplan calendar needs to be developed
- Plan to develop an "E-news" communication newsletter.
- **4. Council Liaison Report:** Malynda updated CCI on current city developments.

5. Adjournment and Announcement of Next Meeting

We adjourned at 6:35PM. The next CCI meeting will be held via Zoom on Tuesday, April 2nd, 2022 at 5:30PM.